

Appl. No. 09/894,046
Amendment dated December 19, 2005
Reply to Notice of Allowance dated December 15, 2005

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

Please replace the informal drawings filed with this application with the attached five (5) pages of formal drawings. Each page is annotated with the serial number, inventor name, and "Replacement Page". No new matter is added.

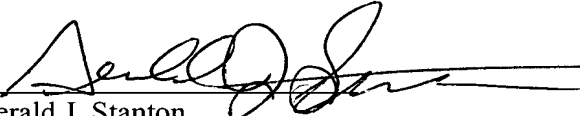
REMARKS:

The Notice of Allowance dated December 15, 2005 is appreciated. Attached hereto are five (5) pages of formal drawings to replace those informal drawings filed with the application.

A review of the record prior to issue reveals that art disclosed in an IDS submitted on October 26, 2001 was not annotated by the Examiner. Attached hereto is a copy of that previously filed IDS in four pages, including a copy of the return receipt postcard stamped by OIPE. Though an improper serial number is listed on the postcard and cover page, the PTO-1449 reflects the proper serial number for the disclosed art. The Examiner is requested to annotate the file that these references were considered during prosecution of this application.

The issue and publication fees will be paid under separate cover. The undersigned remains available via teleconference, at the Examiner's discretion, to clarify any remaining matters.

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